



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS—SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2004



Visit the George Washington Memorial Parkway for free public programs. For more information, please call 703- 289- 2500 (weekdays) OR 703- 289- 2553 or - 2552 (weekends) OR go to [www.nps.gov/gwmp](http://www.nps.gov/gwmp). Directions to park sites will be posted on the webpage.

### Schedule for September and October 2004

See program descriptions below chart for more information. A key to park abbreviations is listed on the bottom of this chart.

Sept. 4: Theodore Roosevelt Island Safari, 10-11 a.m., TRI	Oct. 2: Volunteer! Watershed Cleanup & Weed War, 10 a.m. - 12 noon, BH/DM
Sept. 4: Netherlands Carillon Recital, 2-4 p.m., NC	Oct. 3: Bird Walk, 8-10:30 a.m., BH/DM
Sept. 4: Let Freedom Ring, 3-3:30 p.m., USMCWM	Oct. 3: Theodore Roosevelt Island Safari, 1-2 p.m., TRI
Sept. 5: Bird Walk, 8-10:30 a.m., BH/DM	Oct. 3: Let Freedom Ring, 3-3:30 p.m. USMCWM
Sept. 5: Theodore Roosevelt Island Safari, 2-3 p.m., TRI	Oct. 9: Trail Days, 10 a.m.-12 noon, TRI at MVT
Sept. 5: Let Freedom Ring, 3-3:30 p.m., USMCWM	Oct. 9: The Legend of the Teddy Bear, 3-4 p.m., TRI
Sept. 6: Netherlands Carillon Recital, Labor Day Concert, 2-4 p.m., NC	Oct. 10: Bird Walk, 8-10:30 a.m., BH/DM
Sept. 6: Let Freedom Ring, 3-3:30 p.m., USMCWM	Oct. 10: Ft. Hunt History Hike, 1-2 p.m., FH
Sept. 11: Jr. Ranger Program, 10 a.m.-12 noon, USMCWM	Oct. 16: Jr. Ranger Program, 10 a.m.-12 noon, TRI
Sept. 11: Netherlands Carillon Recital, 2-4 p.m., NC	Oct. 16: Theodore Roosevelt Birthday Celebration, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., TRI
Sept. 11: Teachers' Open House, 2-4 p.m., GLEC	Oct. 17: Bird Walk, 8-10:30 a.m., BH/DM
Sept. 11: Let Freedom Ring, 3-3:30 p.m., USMCWM	Oct. 17: River Rove, 9 a.m. - 11:30 p.m., TRun
Sept. 12: Bird Walk, 8-10:30 a.m., BH/DM	Oct. 23: Ft. Hunt History Hike, 1-2 p.m., FH
Sept. 12: Ft. Hunt History Hike, 1-2 p.m., FH	Oct. 23: Let Freedom Ring, 3-3:30 p.m. USMCWM
Sept. 12: Theodore Roosevelt Island Safari, 2-3 p.m. TRI	Oct. 24: Bird Walk 8-10:30 a.m., BH/DM
Sept. 18: International Coastal Cleanup, Various park sites, 9 a.m. - 12 noon	Oct. 24: Dyke Marsh Walk; 2-3:30 p.m., DM
Sept. 18: Netherlands Carillon Recital, 2-4 p.m., NC	Oct. 30: Let Freedom Ring, 3-3:30 p.m. USMCWM
Sept. 18: Let Freedom Ring, 3-3:30 p.m. USMCWM	Oct. 31: Bird Walk, 8-10:30 a.m., BH/DM
Sept. 19: Bird Walk, 8-10:30 a.m., BH/DM	Oct. 31: Animal Antics, 1-2 p.m., FH
Sept. 19: Trail Days, 12-2 p.m., BH	
Sept. 19: Theodore Roosevelt Island Safari, 5-6 p.m., TRI	
Sept. 25: Netherlands Carillon Recital, 2-4 p.m., NC	
Sept. 25: Let Freedom Ring, 3-3:30 p.m., USMCWM	
Sept. 26: Bird Walk, 8-10:30 a.m., BH/DM	
Sept. 26: Ft. Hunt History Hike, 1-2 p.m., FH	
Sept. 26: River Rove, 1-3:30 p.m., TRun	



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**KEY** BH/DM: Belle Haven Park/Dyke Marsh Wildlife Preserve, DM: Dyke Marsh Wildlife Preserve (only), FH: Fort Hunt Park, GLEC: Glen Echo Park; MVT: Mount Vernon Trail; NC: Netherlands Carillon; TRun: Turkey Run Park; TRI: Theodore Roosevelt Island; USMCWM: U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial (i.e., Iwo Jima Memorial), USMCWM/NC: Program starts at U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial and ends at Netherlands Carillon

#### Animal Antics; Fort Hunt Park

Sunday, Oct. 31, from 1-2 p.m.

Join a park ranger for a delightful hour about to learn about the animals that live in the park. Learn amazing facts to share with friends. This program is geared toward children 12 years and younger. Meet at Picnic Pavilion A.

#### Bird Walk - Friends of Dyke Marsh; Belle Haven Park/Dyke Marsh Wildlife Preserve

Sundays from 8-10:30 a.m. (approximate ending time)



Members of the Friends of Dyke Marsh lead weekly bird walks, weather permitting, every Sunday starting at the Belle Haven Picnic Area. Leaders assist visitors in observing birds along the Potomac River and adjoining islands and mudflats. Further information may be obtained at [www.fodm.org](http://www.fodm.org).

**Dyke Marsh Walk; Belle Haven Park/Dyke Marsh Wildlife Preserve**

*Sunday, Oct. 24, from 2-3:30 p.m.*

Join a ranger for an easy 1 ½ -hour walk to learn about the natural and cultural history of this freshwater tidal marsh, which is home to over 360 species of plants and nearly 300 species of birds. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water and binoculars (if you have them). Meet at the bathrooms along the Mount Vernon Trail in Belle Haven Park.

**Fort Hunt History Hike; Fort Hunt Park**

*Sundays, Sept. 12, 26 and Oct. 10; Saturday, Oct. 23; all from 1-2 p.m.*

Join a ranger for fascinating insight into the history of Fort Hunt Park. Learn about the site's development and later use during the Spanish-American War and both World Wars, including a top-secret mission. Meet a ranger at the Playground near Picnic Pavilion A. Call 703-289-2553 or -2556 for parking locations.

**Junior Ranger Program (Grades 3-6 only)–Memorable Monuments; U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial**

*Saturday, Sept. 11, from 10 a.m.-12 noon* - History will "come alive" as you learn about important monuments.

**Junior Ranger Program (for children in Grades 3-6) – Animal Adaptations; Theodore Roosevelt Island**

*Saturday, Oct. 16, from 10 a.m.-12 noon* - Learn about the amazing adaptations of animals.

Calling all Junior Rangers! **Reservations are required!** Junior Ranger programs are limited to 15 children/session. For reservations and information, please call 703-289-2556 or 2552.

**International Coastal Cleanup; Locations include Theodore Roosevelt Island, Potomac Heritage Trail, Columbia Island, Daingerfield Island, Belle Haven Park/Dyke Marsh Wildlife Preserve, Riverside Park, etc.**

*Saturday, Sept. 18, from 9 a.m.-12 noon*

Show you care... Help keep your parks clean by picking up litter. *Note:* A Parental Approval Form must be signed for minors in advance of work. Sponsored by George Washington Memorial Parkway, Potomac Conservancy, The Campagna Center's Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, Columbia Island Marina, U.S. Coast Guard, etc. Please call 703-289-2556 or 2552 for more information and to obtain necessary forms.

**Let Freedom Ring, U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial/Netherlands Carillon**



*Saturdays, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25; Sunday, Sept. 5; Monday, Sept. 6; Sunday, Oct. 3; Saturdays, Oct. 23 and 30; all programs from 3-3:30 p.m.*

Join a ranger at the U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial for a brief overview of its significance. Take a short walk to visit the Netherlands Carillon, another symbol of freedom. Stay for the Carillon Concert from 2-4 p.m. throughout September only. (Labor Day Carillon Concert from 2- 4 p.m.)

**Netherlands Carillon Recital Series; Netherlands Carillon**

*Saturdays, Sept. 4, 11, 18, 25 AND and a special Labor Day Concert on Monday, Sept. 6; all from 2-4 p.m.*

The Netherlands Carillon, a large bell tower, was a gift to the people of the United States from the Dutch in appreciation for the liberation of Holland during World War II. Climb the tower to watch trained carillonneurs play the bells. The tower, located next to the U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial (Iwo Jima Memorial) in Arlington, VA, offers one of the area's best views of the Washington, D.C. skyline. (These are the last concerts of the season!)

**River Rove -Wisteria Run Loop Hike; Turkey Run Park**

*Sunday, Sept. 26, from 1-3:30 p.m. AND Sunday, Oct. 17, from 9-11:30 a.m.*

Hike along one of the most beautiful sections of Turkey Run Park and the Potomac Heritage Trail. This moderate to strenuous hike will last for approximately 3 miles. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water and binoculars (if you have them). Meet by the bulletin board at Parking Lot C-1.

**Theodore Roosevelt Island Safari; Theodore Roosevelt Island**

*Saturday, Sept. 4, from 10-11 a.m.; Sundays, Sept. 5 and 12 from 2-3 p.m.; Sunday, Sept. 19, from 5-6 p.m.;*

*Sunday, Oct. 3, from 1-2 p.m.; AND Saturday, Oct. 16, ongoing during Theodore Roosevelt's Birthday Celebration*

Join a ranger for an easy, 1-mile hike and learn about the history and natural environment of the island. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water and binoculars (if you have them). Meet at the Memorial Plaza.



**Teachers' Open House (for Elementary School Levels); *Glen Echo Park***

*Saturday, Sept. 11, from 2-4 p.m.*

Are you looking for something new to make history and nature come to life for your students? Come to this FREE open house to learn about curriculum/non-curriculum based education programs offered at different park sites, including Theodore Roosevelt Island, Dyke Marsh, U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial, Netherlands Carillon, Turkey Run Park Great Falls Park, Glen Echo Park, Clara Barton National Historic Park, etc. **Reservations are required.** For more information or to reserve a spot, call 301-492-6245 no later than 3 days before event.

**The Legend of the Teddy Bear (Children's Program); *Theodore Roosevelt Island***

*Saturday, Oct. 9, from 3-4 p.m.*

Join a park ranger for a delightful hour to learn about Theodore Roosevelt and the legend of the Teddy Bear. Meet the ranger at the Memorial Plaza.

**Theodore Roosevelt's Birthday Celebration; *Theodore Roosevelt Island***

*Saturday, Oct. 16, from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.*

Join the George Washington Memorial Parkway for a birthday celebration in honor of our 26<sup>th</sup> President. Meet at the Memorial Plaza for a day of fun and excitement. Bring the whole family! Join rangers for island tours, nature and history crafts, kid's activities, live animals, exhibits, and more!

**Trail Days; *Various park locations***

*Sunday, Sept. 19, at Belle Haven Park, from 12 noon -2 p.m.*

*Saturday, Oct. 9, at Theodore Roosevelt Island, from 10 a.m.-12 noon*

Meet a ranger to learn more about trails in the park and in the local area. Occasional sessions will be available about trail etiquette and safety, as well as basic bicycle maintenance.

**Volunteer! Watershed Cleanup and Weed War; *Belle Haven Park***

*Saturday, Oct. 2, from 10 a.m.-12 noon*

Show you care. Help keep the park clean by picking up trash and clearing exotic plants. *Note:* A Parental Approval Form must be signed for minors in advance of work. Sponsored by George Washington Memorial Parkway and The Campagna Center's Retired and Senior Volunteer Program. Meet at the bathrooms next to the Mount Vernon Trail. Call 703-289-2552 or 703-549-1607, x141, for information and to obtain necessary forms.